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### Abstract

An apparatus capable of scanning in documents is disclosed.

According to one embodiment, a linear scanner is integrated with a portable computing device and exposed to a scanning document. An image is generated when there is a relative motion between the linear scanner and the scanning document. Texts in the image are reproduced by an OCR engine in the apparatus and can be displayed on a display screen of the portable computing device. The reproduced texts can be then filled in appropriate fields on records maintained in the device or transported to another device.

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